MAIL STOP AMENDMENT





N THE UNITED STATES PATENT A<u>ND TRADEMARK OFFICE</u>

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CELLULOSE PULP FIBERS

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Seattle, Washington 98101

July 14, 2004

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

Amendment Transmittal A.

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- 1. No additional claim fee is required, as shown below.
- 2. The claim fee has been calculated as shown below.

COMPUTATION OF FEE FOR CLAIMS AS AMENDED

| | Claims Remaining | | Highest Number | | | | - | | |
|--------------------|---------------------|---|-------------------|---|----------|---|------|---|------------|
| | After | | Previously | | Present | | | | Additional |
| | Amendment | | Paid For | | Extra | | Rate | | Fee |
| Total Claims | 29 | - | 39 | = | 0 | X | 18 | = | 0 |
| Independent Claims | 1 | - | 4 | = | 0 | X | 86 | = | 0 |
| | TOTAL | | | | <u> </u> | | | | \$0 |

Additional Fee Charges or Credit for Overpayment B.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.18 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 03-1740. This authorization also hereby includes a request for any extensions of time of the appropriate length required upon the filing of any reply during the entire prosecution of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service in a sealed envelope as first class mail with postage thereon fully prepaid and addressed to Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on the below date.

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This paper is filed in reply to the communication dated April 16, 2004, from the Examiner in charge of the above-identified application.